

## **AIS Web Site June 2004**

A web site for use with AIS is being developed. The purpose of the AIS Web Site is to provide to AIS users with current information, immediate access to updates and technical guidance. The site design is intended to be compatible to current system configurations requiring little or no upgrade to installed software. All an agency will need is access to the Internet.

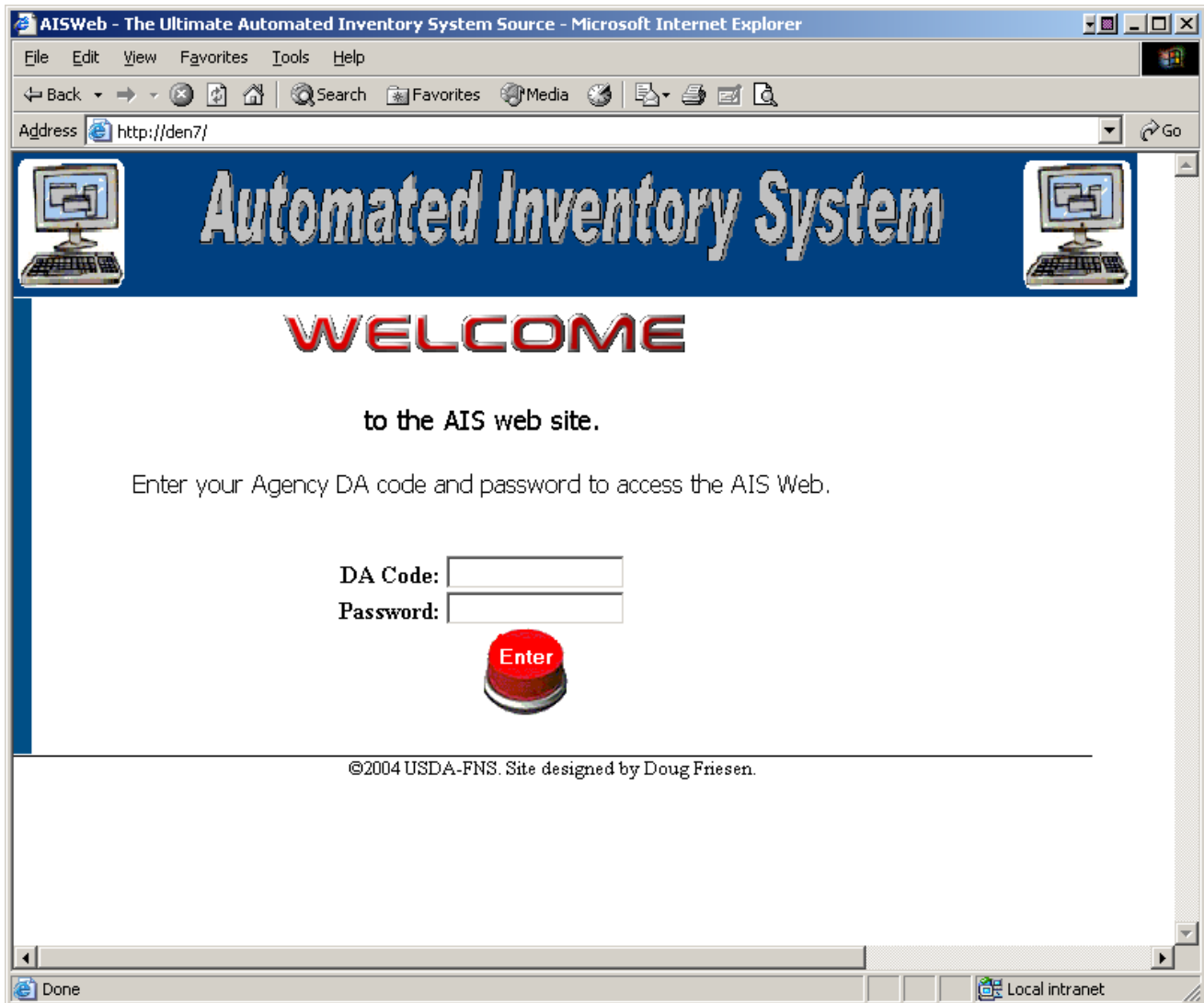
For best viewing results and full compatibility to features available on the AIS Web Site, users are recommended to be on Internet Explorer 5.0 or a more recent version and have Adobe Reader installed. Upgrades to newer Internet Explorer versions as well as Adobe Reader will be available via links on the AIS Web Site.

Proposed features include the following sections:

- What's New – This section provides information on new AIS updates or other related items that may be beneficial to the AIS user to be aware of.
- Download Center – This section provides links to a variety of features that will enable a user to help themselves to updates, complete system installations or other revisions that will keep their use of AIS as current as available.
- Document Center – This section provides links to a variety of documents that will enable users to obtain information about AIS and its use.
- Technical Support – This section will provide the user with access to troubleshooting techniques with AIS as well as with their computer equipment and networks
- Contacts – Online information on regional AIS contacts including phone numbers and e-Mail. Included in the contacts is an e-Mail link to a general AIS mailbox where suggestions and/or comments can be sent.
- Resource Links – This section will contain links to resources that will either provide updates for the use of the AIS Web Site, connections to other resources beneficial to FDPIR or general information.

Since the AIS Web Site is in the development mode it is presented as a prototype. The remainder of this document will demonstrate each area and provide insight on proposed design features. Input from users is encouraged as well.

## Accessing the AIS Web Site

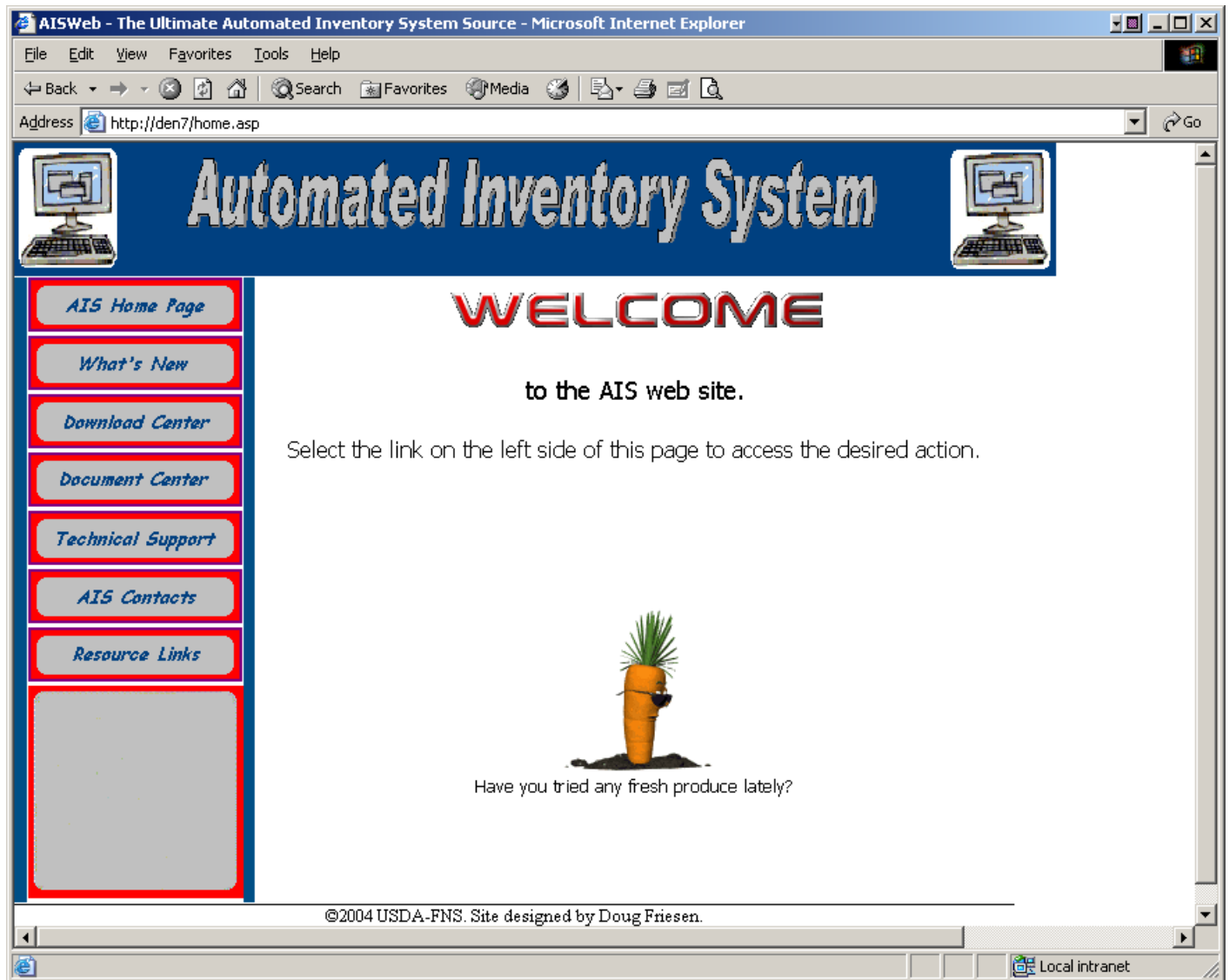


The AIS Web Site will likely have some type of access restriction. It is anticipated that the access restriction will be a simple identifier and password.

The purpose for the access restriction is to:

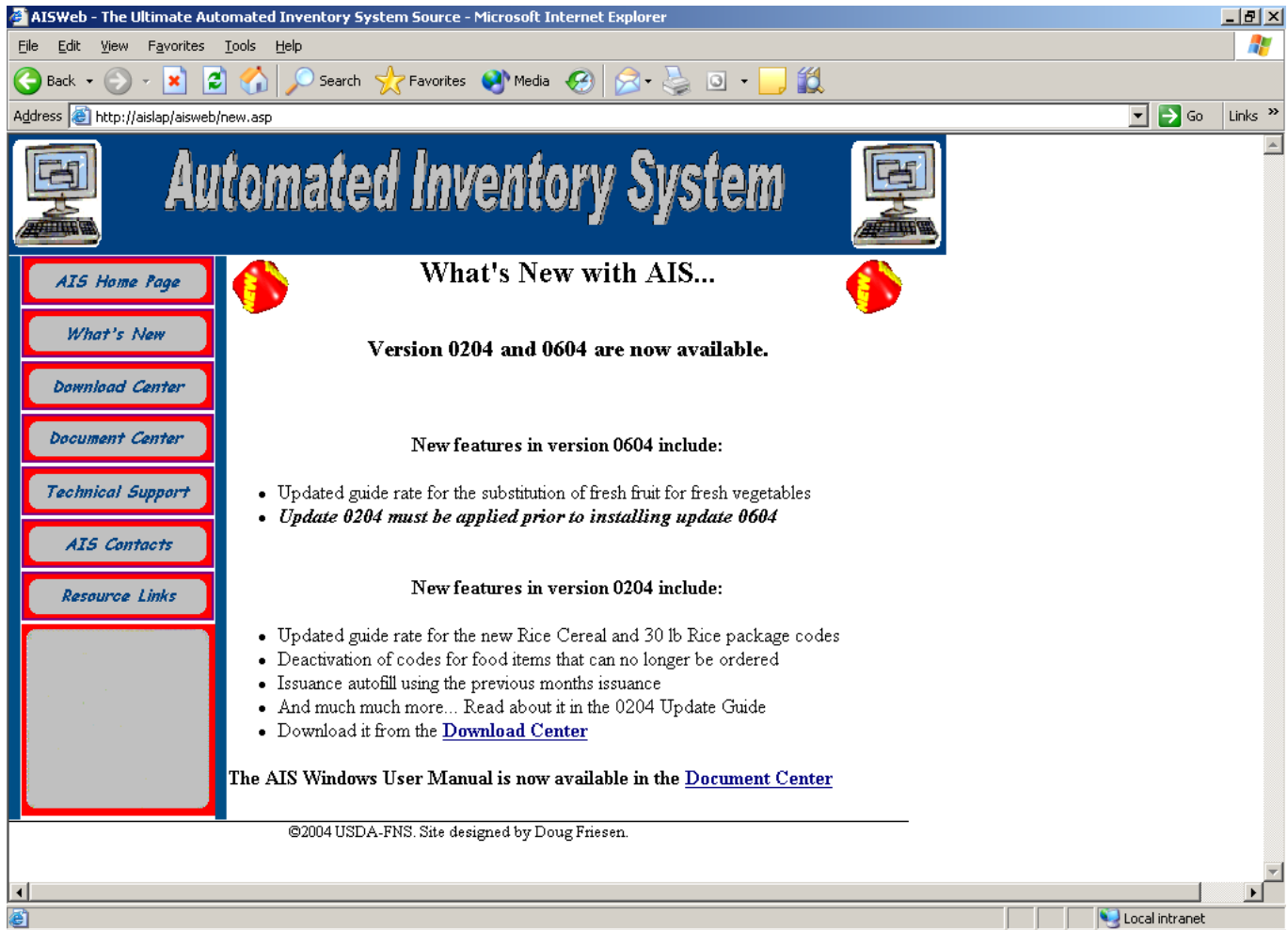
1. Identify by the DA code which agency is using the site and what activity was performed such as retrieving an update, document or accessing technical assistance.
2. Prevent the non-AIS world from entering the site to safeguard content.

## AIS Home Page



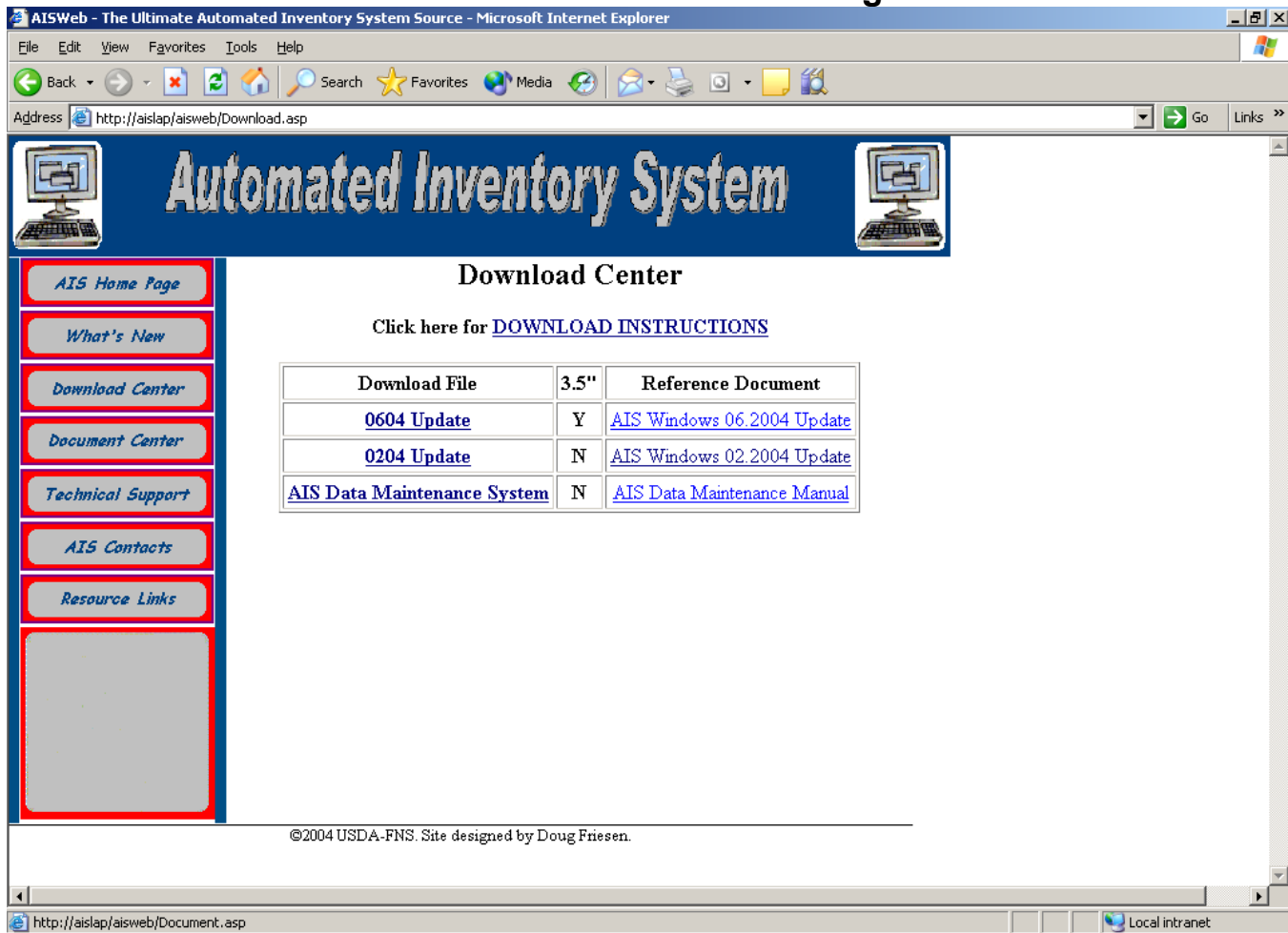
The AIS home page will be the central navigation point and can be set to contain a variety of information that encourages use of a particular category.

## AIS What's New Page



The AIS What's New page will contain information that has changed since the last update of the site.

## AIS Download Center Page



**Download Center**

Click here for [DOWNLOAD INSTRUCTIONS](#)

Download File	3.5"	Reference Document
<a href="#">0604 Update</a>	Y	<a href="#">AIS Windows 06.2004 Update</a>
<a href="#">0204 Update</a>	N	<a href="#">AIS Windows 02.2004 Update</a>
<a href="#">AIS Data Maintenance System</a>	N	<a href="#">AIS Data Maintenance Manual</a>

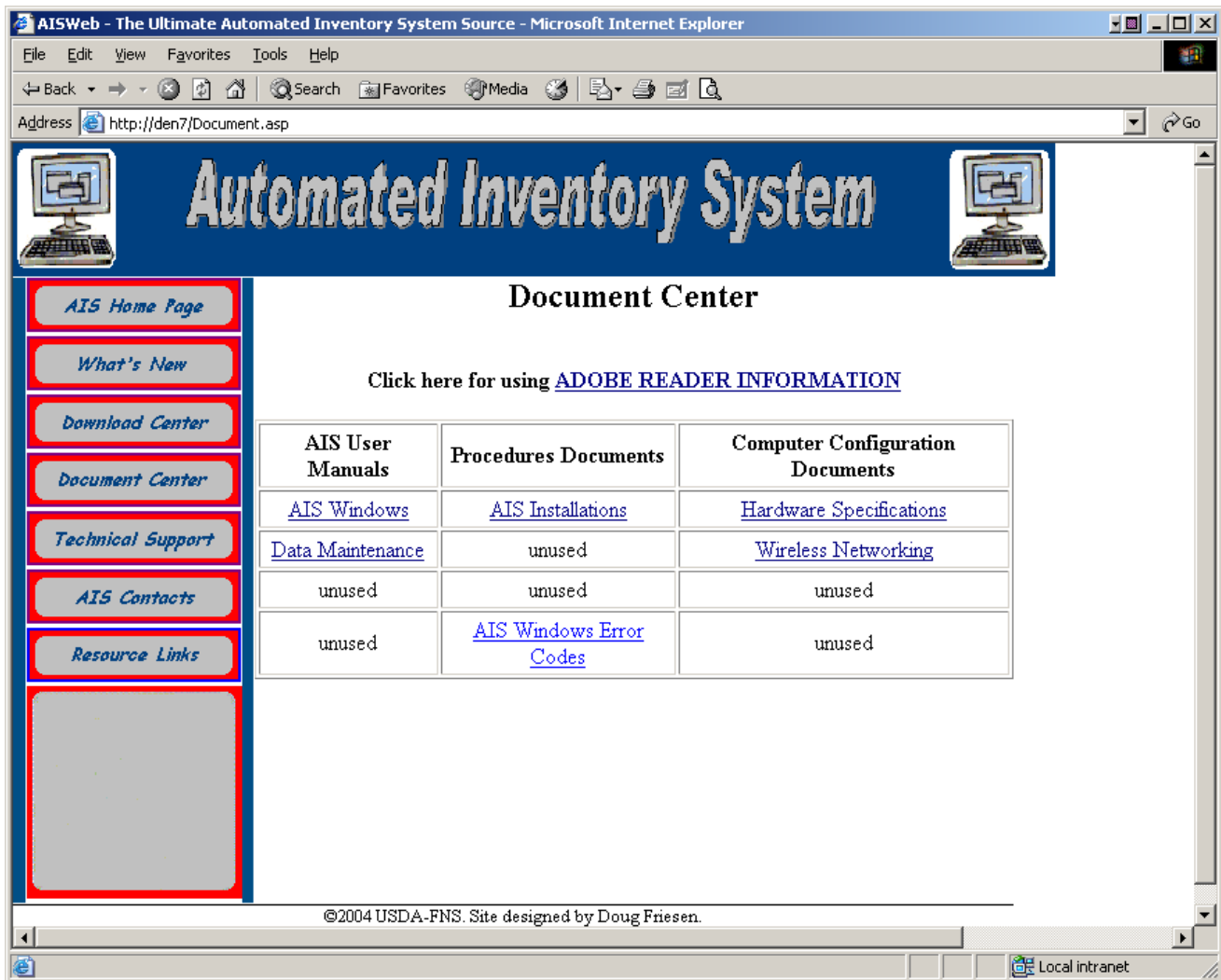
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The download center will contain the most current and previous updates.

Optional considerations:

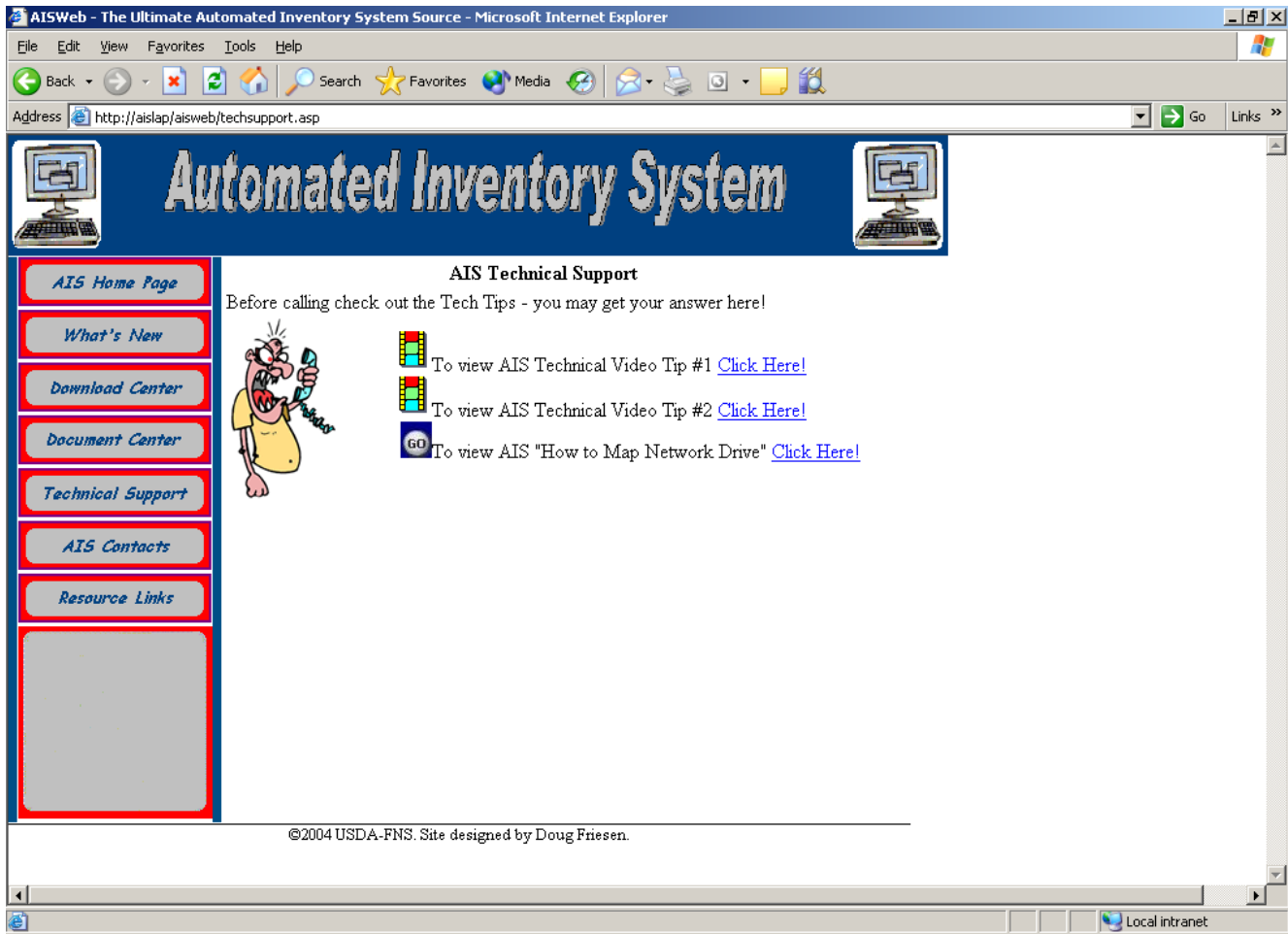
- Complete system setups for new computers
- Guide rate only updates
- Corrections to updates if errors are found
- Estimated download time for dial-up connections

## AIS Document Center Page



The document center will contain documents by categorized area. The documents in this area will be in PDF format requiring Adobe Acrobat Reader, which is free on the Internet or available in the Resource Links area. Since some files can tend to become large such as the AIS Windows user manual, it can be broken down by topic area. PDF files cannot be changed but they can be downloaded and saved to a local computer as well as printed.

## AIS Technical Support Page



The technical support page will provide guidelines for self-help in resolving problems.

Optional considerations:

- Video guidance
- Interactive feedback where an error is entered and prompts are displayed for additional information until the information provided can return a possible solution
- Guidance for both AIS and computer hardware/operating system solutions

## AIS Contacts Page

**Automated Inventory System**

**AIS Contacts**

Region	Contact	Phone	E-Mail
MPRO	Doug Friesen	303-844-0375	<a href="mailto:doug.friesen@fns.usda.gov">doug.friesen@fns.usda.gov</a>
MWRO	Joe Templin	312-353-1900	<a href="mailto:joe.templin@fns.usda.gov">joe.templin@fns.usda.gov</a>
SWRO	Chris Hennelly	214-290-9923	<a href="mailto:chris.hennelly@fns.usda.gov">chris.hennelly@fns.usda.gov</a>
WRO	Roger King	206-553-7410	<a href="mailto:roger.king@fns.usda.gov">roger.king@fns.usda.gov</a>

Suggestions/Comments: [AIS@fns.usda.gov](mailto:AIS@fns.usda.gov)

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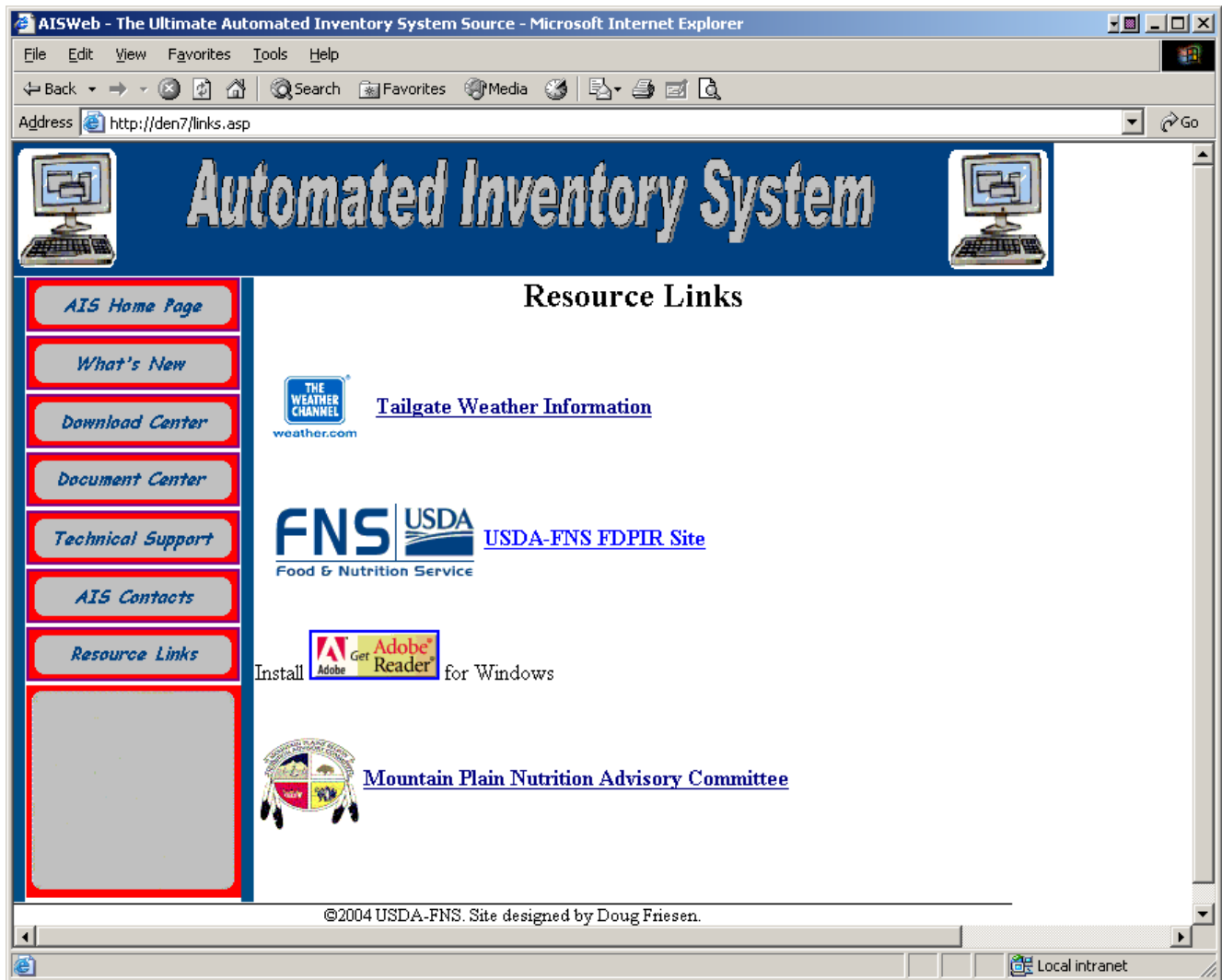
The contacts page is designed to provide the user with information on who to contact within their respective region for AIS assistance. This page is not intended to serve as a contacts page for all FDPIR agencies.

Optional considerations:

- Designation of alternative contacts



## AIS Resource Links Page



The resource links page has the potential to host a variety of useful links kind of like a shortcut are for AIS users. Requested links will be considered but will be limited to what fits best with AIS support or related FDPIR activities. The links page is not intended to be a resource to tribal site links.

Optional considerations:

- Links to a FDPIR related site (USDA, NAFDPIR, Nutrition Committee)
- Links to computer system updates such as Microsoft, Adobe, etc.